

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No.4272 of 2020
Date of decision: 31.01.2020**

Hardeep Kaur @ Sonia

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Naveen Bawa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.198 dated 12.12.2019 registered under Section 306 IPC at Police Station Nakodar Sadar, District Jalandhar Rural.

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that as per the allegations in the FIR, registered at the instance of Lekh Raj, father of the deceased Ajay Sharma, it is stated that about 08 months back, his deceased son namely Ajay Sharma, married to the petitioner – Hardeep Kaur @ Sonia. After the marriage, the petitioner informed that she want to do the beauty parlour business and want to live at her parental home at Ludhiana. She persuaded her in-laws to open beauty parlour in Jalandhar and after working at a beauty parlour for a period of 03 months, she again started putting pressure on her husband to find some job in a big city. Thereafter, Ajay Sharma got her employed in a beauty parlour academy where she worked for a period of about 01 month and again started quarreling with Ajay Sharma for doing some work at Ludhiana. She even pressurized him (Ajay Sharma) to take his share in the property from his parents in order to settle in Ludhiana. It is further

stated in the FIR that Ajay Sharma wanted to live in Jalandhar and on 10.12.2019 the father of the petitioner namely Harjit Singh took her to Ludhiana and Ajay Sharma was under constant tension.

On 12.12.2019 at about 03:00 AM, the petitioner gave a call from her mobile phone to the wife of the complainant namely Rakesh Kumar i.e. the mother of the deceased – Ajay Sharma that Ajay Sharma was talking to her on phone but now he is not replying. Thereafter when the mother of the deceased opened the door, she found that Ajay Sharma was hanging with the ceiling fan and has died. As per the FIR, Ajay Sharma has committed the suicide on account of the harassment caused by the petitioner i.e. wife of the deceased – Ajay Sharma.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that there is no suicide note to indicate that the petitioner has acted in a manner which abetted the deceased to commit suicide. Counsel for the petitioner has also relied upon certain Whatsapp chatting between the petitioner and the deceased – Ajay Sharma, prior to the time when he committed the suicide, which also show that the deceased was under pressure.

After hearing the counsel for the petitioner, I find no ground to grant the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. It is not disputed that the marriage between the deceased – Ajay Sharma and the petitioner was performed about 08 months back and only, thereafter, the trouble started in their matrimonial life and as per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioner was putting pressure on the deceased – Ajay Sharma to live at her place at Jalandhar as she wanted to start some beauty parlour business at her paternal home at Ludhiana and on that pretext, she was putting pressure upon the deceased – Ajay Sharma and

also asked him to get his share of the property from his parents, therefore, it cannot be said that the petitioner has not abetted her deceased husband to commit suicide in the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case.

In view of the above, finding no merit to grant the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, the petition fails and is accordingly dismissed.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No